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NOTICE OF DRAFTSPERSON'S PATENT-DRAWING REVIEW

PTO Draftpersons review all originally filed drawings regardless of whether they are designated as formal or informal. Additionally, patent Examiners will review the drawings for compliance with the regulations. Direct telephone inquiries concerning this review to the Drawing Review Branch, 703-305-8404.

The drawings filed (insert date) 7/2/98 are not objected to by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152 as indicated below. The Examiner will require submission of new, corrected drawings when necessary. Corrected drawings must be submitted according to the instructions on the back of this Notice.

1. DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(a): Acceptable categories of drawings:

Black ink. Color.

Not black solid lines. Fig(s) _____

Color drawings are not acceptable until petition is granted.

Fig(s) _____

2. PHOTOGRAPHS. 37 CFR 1.84(b)

Photographs are not acceptable until petition is granted.

Fig(s) _____

Photographs not properly mounted (must use bristol board or photographic double-weight paper). Fig(s) _____

Poor quality (half-tone). Fig(s) _____

3. GRAPHIC FORMS. 37 CFR 1.84(d)

Chemical or mathematical formula not labeled as separate figure.

Fig(s) _____

Group of waveforms not presented as a single figure, using common vertical axis with time extending along horizontal axis.

Fig(s) _____

Individuals waveform not identified with a separate letter designation adjacent to the vertical axis. Fig(s) _____

4. TYPE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(c)

Paper not flexible, strong, white, smooth, nonshiny, and durable.

Sheet(s) _____

Erasures, alterations, overwritings, interlineations, cracks, creases, and folds copy machine marks not accepted. Fig(s) _____

Mylar, velum paper is not acceptable (too thin). Fig(s) _____

5. SIZE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(f): Acceptable sizes:

21.6 cm. by 35.6 cm. (8 1/2 by 14 inches)

21.6 cm. by 33.1 cm. (8 1/2 by 13 inches)

21.6 cm. by 27.9 cm. (8 1/2 by 11 inches)

21.0 cm. by 29.7 cm. (DIN size A4)

All drawing sheets not the same size. Sheet(s) _____

Drawing sheet not an acceptable size. Sheet(s) _____

6. MARGINS. 37 CFR 1.84(g): Acceptable margins:**Paper size**

21.6 cm. X 35.6 cm. (8 1/2 X 14 inches) 21.6 cm. X 33.1 cm. (8 1/2 X 13 inches) 21.6 cm. X 27.9 cm. (8 1/2 X 11 inches) (DIN Size A4)

T 5.1 cm. (2") 2.5 cm. (1") 2.5 cm. (1") 2.5 cm.

L .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4")

R .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4")

B .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4")

Margins do not conform to chart above.

Sheet(s) _____

Top (T) Left (L) Right (R) Bottom (B)

7. VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(h):

REMINDER: Specification may require revision to correspond to drawing changes.

All views not grouped together. Fig(s) _____

Views connected by projection lines or lead lines.

Fig(s) _____

Partial views. 37 CFR 1.84(h) 2

View and enlarged view not labeled separately or properly.

Fig(s) _____

Sectional views. 37 CFR 1.84(h) 3

Hatching not indicated for sectional portions of an object.

Fig(s) _____

Cross section not drawn same as view with parts in cross section with regularly spaced parallel oblique strokes. Fig(s) _____

8. ARRANGEMENT OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(i)

Words do not appear on a horizontal, left-to-right fashion when page is either upright or turned so that the top becomes the right side, except for graphs. Fig(s) _____

9. SCALE. 37 CFR 1.84(k)

Scale not large enough to show mechanism with crowding when drawing is reduced in size to two-thirds in reproduction.

Fig(s) _____

Indication such as "actual size" or scale 1/2" not permitted.

Fig(s) _____

10. CHARACTER OF LINES, NUMBERS, & LETTERS. 37 CFR 1.84(l)

Lines, numbers & letters not uniformly thick and well defined, clean, durable, and black (except for color drawings).

Fig(s) _____

11. SHADING. 37 CFR 1.84(m)

Solid black shading areas not permitted.

Fig(s) _____

Shade lines, pale, rough and blurred. Fig(s) _____

12. NUMBERS, LETTERS, & REFERENCE CHARACTERS. 37 CFR 1.84(p)

Numbers and reference characters not plain and legible. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(1) Fig(s) _____

Numbers and reference characters not oriented in same direction as the view. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(1) Fig(s) _____

English alphabet not used. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2)

Fig(s) _____

Numbers, letters, and reference characters do not measure at least .32 cm. (1/8 inch) in height. 37 CFR(p)(3)

Fig(s) _____

13. LEAD LINES. 37 CFR 1.84(q)

Lead lines cross each other. Fig(s) _____

Lead lines missing. Fig(s) _____

14. NUMBERING OF SHEETS OF DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(t)

Sheets not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals, beginning with number 1. Sheet(s) _____

15. NUMBER OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(u)

Views not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals, beginning with number 1. Fig(s) _____

View numbers not preceded by the abbreviation Fig.

Fig(s) _____

16. CORRECTIONS. 37 CFR 1.84(w)

Corrections not made from prior PTO-948.

Fig(s) _____

17. DESIGN DRAWING. 37 CFR 1.152

Surface shading shown not appropriate. Fig(s) _____

Solid black shading not used for color contrast.

Fig(s) _____

COMMENTS:

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REVIEWER

DATE

7/2/98

Attachment for PTO-948 (Rev. 03/01, or earlier)
6/18/01

The below text replaces the pre-printed text under the heading, "Information on How to Effect Drawing Changes," on the back of the PTO-948 (Rev. 03/01, or earlier) form.

INFORMATION ON HOW TO EFFECT DRAWING CHANGES

1. Correction of Informalities -- 37 CFR 1.85

New corrected drawings must be filed with the changes incorporated therein. Identifying indicia, if provided, should include the title of the invention, inventor's name, and application number, or docket number (if any) if an application number has not been assigned to the application. If this information is provided, it must be placed on the front of each sheet and centered within the top margin. If corrected drawings are required in a Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37), the new drawings **MUST** be filed within the **THREE MONTH** shortened statutory period set for reply in the Notice of Allowability. Extensions of time may NOT be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b) for filing the corrected drawings after the mailing of a Notice of Allowability. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

2. Corrections other than Informalities Noted by Draftsperson on form PTO-948.

All changes to the drawings, other than informalities noted by the Draftsperson, **MUST** be made in the same manner as above except that, normally, a highlighted (preferably red ink) sketch of the changes to be incorporated into the new drawings **MUST** be approved by the examiner before the application will be allowed. No changes will be permitted to be made, other than correction of informalities, unless the examiner has approved the proposed changes.

Timing of Corrections

Applicant is required to submit the drawing corrections within the time period set in the attached Office communication. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Failure to take corrective action within the set period will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the application.